

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Starr Road Tenant House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Northeast corner Maryland Route 213 and Starr Road (170309)

3/16/93

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Queen Anne's

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED☒ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☒ OTHER: Vacant**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

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Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Hillsboro

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21641

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Queen Anne's County Courthouse

Liber #: CWC 137

Folio #: 142

STREET & NUMBER

Courthouse Square

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

QA-418

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Starr Road Tenant House stands on an overgrown knoll on the northeast corner of Maryland Route 213 and Starr Road. The house is two stories high, two bays wide, and one room deep, with a single chimney at the south end of a pitched gable roof. An original one-story lean-to projects from the south gable.

The front facade faces east, away from Route 213. The door is in the north bay, with one 6/6 window to the south near the center of the facade. The two 6/6 second floor windows are located at the north and south ends of the facade. Single 6/6 windows are centered on the first and second floor of the north gable. On the rear or west facade, there is a 6/6 window in the center on the first floor and two 6/6 windows on the second floor.

The lean-to extends the full depth of the house, with the roof pitched from north to south, sloping down from the gable wall of the main house. There are doors in the east and west walls of the lean-to. There appears to have been a window in the center of the south wall, but the wall has partially collapsed.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

CONTINUATION SHEET

7.1 DESCRIPTION

The building rests on brick piers and is constructed with circular sawn timber using balloon framing. Heavy corner posts are mortised into the sills and reinforced with downbraces. The studs average 3" x 4" and run continuous from sill to second floor top plate. The first floor joists are notched over a light ribbon plate. The second floor top plates are mortised into the corner posts and serve as a sill for the rafters, while the collar beams double as second floor ceiling joists. The eaves are boxed in and the walls are covered with plain gang-sawn horizontal weatherboards. Machine nails and circular sawn lathing are used throughout the house. Other details of interest include diagonal bridging between the floor joists and the mitred and nail^{ed} ridge connection.

The first floor of the main house consists of a single large room heated by a stove chimney on the south wall. There is an enclosed winder stair to the right of the chimney and a door to the left leading to the lean-to. The second floor is divided into two rooms by a stud-and-plaster partition. The south room is heated by the stove chimney, the north

CONTINUATION SHEET

7.2 DESCRIPTION

room is unheated. The baseboard and architrave trim is plain throughout the house. The lean-to, which served as the kitchen, has vertical beaded wainscoting below a simple chairrail.

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This small frame dwelling is typical of a house type widely utilized throughout the Eastern Shore after the Civil War. In general appearance they are characterized by the two story, two bay form combined with an original one story lean-to on one gable end. This example is of particular interest due to the exposed state of the balloon framing. It is significant to note the mechanized system of two story studs, ribbon plates and floor bridging combined with traditional heavy posts, sills, and plates joined with mortise-and-tenon joints.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Orlando Ridout V, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Queen Anne's County Historical Society

DATE

10/8/80

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Centreville

STATE

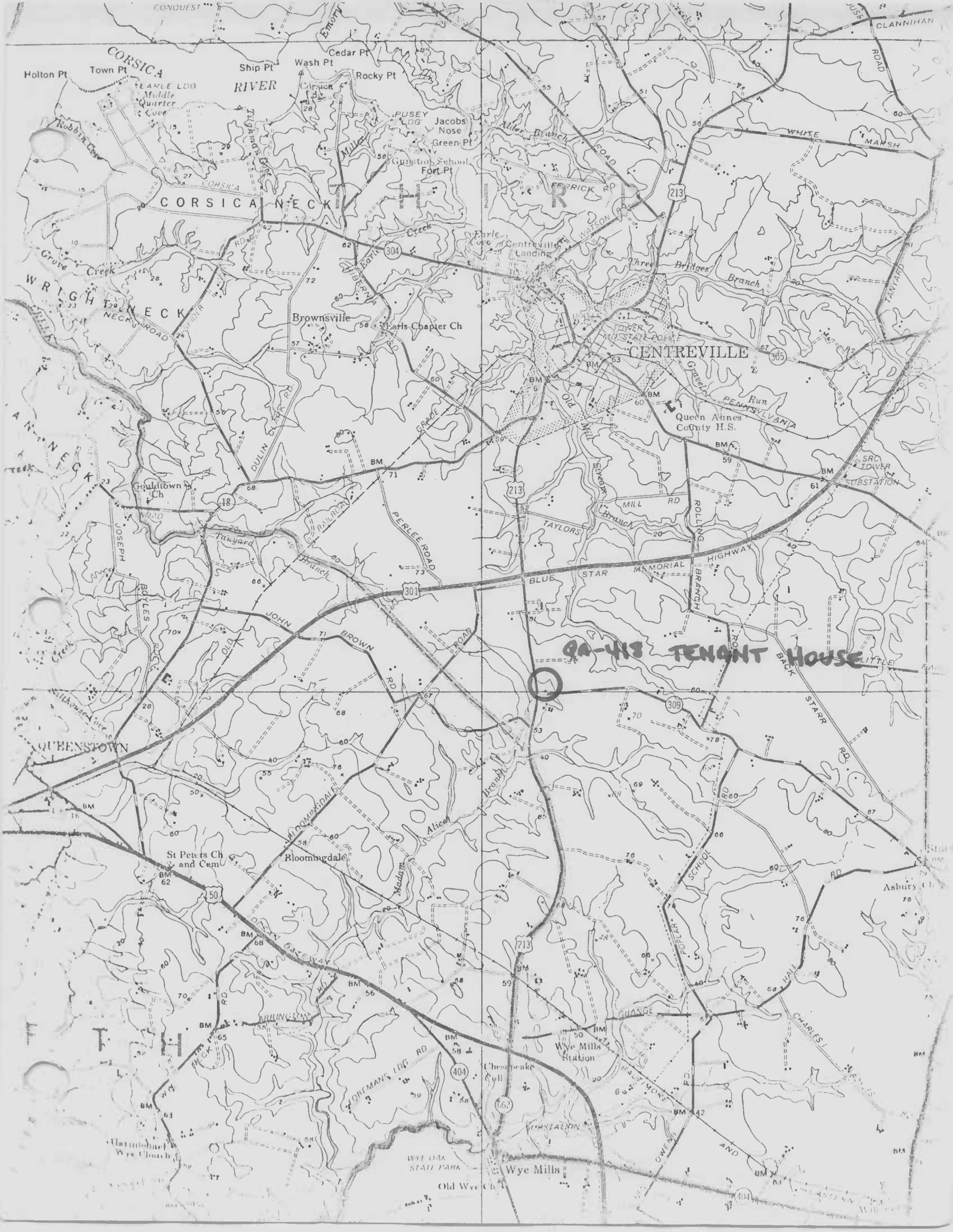
Maryland

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QA-418 Tenant House
 Corner Rt. 213, Starr Road
 Orlando Ridout V 1980
 East facade